

## Message Text

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FM USLO PEKING

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1059

INFO AMEMBASSY SAIGON

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AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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AMCONSUL HONG KONG

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CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR CH VN

SUBJ: DELETION OF REFERENCE TO "U.S.-LED" IMPERIALISM

1. SWEDES HERE HAVE PASSED US ENGLISH TEXT OF NGUYEN HUU THO'S NOVEMBER 20 FAREWELL BANQUET SPEECH WHICH WAS DISTRIBUTED TO GUESTS AT GREAT HALL OF THE PEOPLE. TOWARD THE END OF THE SPEECH NGUYEN HUU THO STATES, "GENTLEMEN AND LADIES, THE SITUATION IN SOUTH VIET-NAM AND INDO-CHINA AS A WHOLE AND IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD SHOWS THAT IMPERIALISM, COLONIALISM AND NEO-COLONIALISM ARE UNWILLING TO GIVE UP THEIR AMBITIONS OF CARRYING OUT WAR AND AGGRESSION", ETC. PRINTED TEXT HAD READ "U.S.-LED IMPERIALISM" BUT "U.S.-LED" HAD BEEN CROSSED OUT WITH PENCIL ON ALL COPIES. THIS REPORTEDLY CAUSED CONSIDERABLE  
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COMMENT AT THE BANQUET. WE NOTE THAT NCNA TEXT ALSO DELETES

REFERENCE TO "U.S.-LED".

2. COMMENT: THOUGH THIS IS FIRST TIME WE HAVE SEEN SIGNS  
THAT PRC MAY HAVE DOCTORED A VISITOR'S SPEECH,  
WE ASSUME THAT CHANGE WAS MADE AT CHINESE INSTIGATION.  
DELETION MAY REFLECT CHINESE VIEW THAT SOVIET UNION IS  
ALSO AN IMPERIALIST POWER WITH AGGRESSIVE AMBITIONS  
AND THAT THEREFORE LABEL OF IMPERIALIST LEADER SHOULD NOT  
BE RESERVED SOLELY FOR UNITED STATES.  
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